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Dear Ed,

Al Dinnaci, who lives in State Island (356-0035) has my 8 mm Zapruder.

I need it for use at a college seminar, where I can use only 8 mm.

All works nights, as a waiter in a downtown restaurant. He is anxious to be as helpful as he can be and has been kind in many ways.

I would appreciate it if you would ask him to give you this film some time before you come here so you can bring it with you. I am confident that he will take it to your office. Because it is a bit better than most 8 mm versions, I would prefer not to trust it to the mails.

Al has done some helpful things for me at the New York Public Library. He is quite willing but is limited by the lack of formal education. Nonetheless he has been able to do what experienced ~~xxxxxx~~ reporters have failed to do.

I want to ask something of him that I would appreciate your taking the first steps on. So, would you please phone the library and see if they have city directories for Mexico City? If they do, I will then tell Al what I would like him to get for me. Or I will tell you so you also will know.

Al will then get xeroxes for me and I'll take it from there.

Meanwhile, if you have not thought of it earlier, please try to think if you have any way of introducing Jim/ and/or me to those who might have connections with those who have topical interests and means, like, for example, Stuart Mott.

A state historical society is interested in Jim's files and mine and a college is also interested in mine. For us these files are assets. The problem is financing the arrangements. For wealthy people this can be a tax exemption.

Jim and I not only lack connections, we lack time for anything.

What he has next on the schedule will fascinate you. It is quite a task for an inexperienced lawyer: deposing Percy Foreman. The State of Tennessee is doing this in the Ray case and Jim will handle it for our side. I have persuaded Bud.

Our best,